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SPECIAL SURVEY RESULTS
DECEMBER PECAN FORECAST

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DECEMBER 2006 RESULTS FOR SURVEY RESPONDENTS

PECANS

Dear Respondent:

This issue of the **USDA/NASS NEW MEXICO FIELD OFFICE SPECIAL SURVEY RESULTS** covers the results of the Pecan December Forecast. This is being sent exclusively to those of you who responded to our request for data. The information you provided made these published estimates possible. Thank you for your cooperation and the time spent completing the surveys.

Sincerely,
Dwaine C Nelson

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Director

NEW MEXICO: The December 1st pecan production forecast for the 2006 crop year is 46 million pounds, giving New Mexico a first place rank among pecan-producing states for the 2006. The 2006 forecast shows a decrease of 19 million pounds from 2005, an “on” year in the alternate bearing cycle of our trees. Compared to the previous “off” year, the production for 2006 is expected to be 7 million pounds higher than 2004’s 39 million pounds.

UNITED STATES: The December 1, 2006 forecast of pecan production is 190 million pounds utilized (in-shell basis), down 5 percent from the October 1 forecast and 32 percent below last year's crop.

PECANS: UTILIZED PRODUCTION 2004-05 AND FORECASTED DECEMBER 1, 2006

Crop and State	Utilized Production		
	2004	2005	2006
	-----1,000 Pounds-----		
IMPROVED VARIETIES ^{1/}			
AL	1,000	3,200	5,100
AZ	14,000	22,000	15,000
AR ^{2/}	1,000	1,100	850
CA ^{2/}	3,500	3,900	3,200
FL ^{2/}	400	300	400
GA	42,000	72,000	36,000
LA	2,500	1,000	4,000
MS ^{2/}	700	800	2,000
MO ^{2/ 3/}	---	200	150
NM	39,000	65,000	46,000
NC ^{2/}	70	1,650	1,000
OK	6,000	6,000	5,000
SC ^{2/}	800	1,500	1,000
TX	28,000	50,000	25,000
NATIVE & SEEDLING			
AL	100	800	900
AR ^{2/}	700	1,200	750
FL ^{2/}	100	700	500
GA	3,000	8,000	4,000
KS ^{2/}	1,800	3,200	2,000
LA	6,500	4,000	15,000
MS ^{2/}	300	200	500
MO ^{2/ 3/}	---	2,400	1,350
NC ^{2/}	30	350	200
OK	22,000	15,000	9,000
SC ^{2/}	300	700	500
TX	1,200	15,000	11,000
U.S. ALL PECANS	185,800	280,200	190,400

^{1/} Budded, grafted, or top worked varieties. ^{2/} Estimated for current year carried forward from earlier forecast. ^{3/} Estimates began in 2005.